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1. HEREWITH FULL TEXT GRAHAM HOVEY BY-LINER NEW YORK
TIMES THURSDAY AUGUST 4 HEADED "CARTER WILL ASK TANZANIA
LEADER, HERE FOR TALKS, FOR HELP ON AFRICA."

2. PRESIDENT CARTER WILL MAKE A MAJOR EFFORT TOMORROW AND
FRIDAY TO OBTAIN THE COOPERATION OF PRESIDENT JULIUS K.
NYERERE OF TANZANIA FOR UNITED STATES AND ALLIED PROPOSALS
TO ADVANCE PEACEFUL SOLUTIONS FOR RHODESIA AND SOUTH-WEST
AFRICA, ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS SAID TODAY.

3. MR. NYERERE, REGARDED BY THE ADMINISTRATION AS ONE OF
THE AFRICAN PRESIDENTS MOST INFLUENTIAL WITH THE BLACK
NATIONALIST ORGANIZATIONS WAGING GUERRILLA WARS IN
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RHODESIA AND SOUTH-WEST AFRICA, ARRIVED TODAY FOR TALKS,
BEGINNING TOMORROW MORNING, WITH MR. CARTER AND OTHER OF-
FICIALS.

3. FROM THE OUTSET, THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION HAS PURSUED
AN ACTIVIST POLICY ON SOUTHERN AFRICA, DESIGNED TO ASSIST
PEACEFUL TRANSITIONS TO MAJORITY RULE IN WHITE-GOVERNED

RHODESIA, SOUTH-WEST AFRICA AND, FINALLY, SOUTH AFRICA.

4. THE ADMINISTRATION BELIEVES THE ALTERNATIVE COULD BE AN ALL-OUT BLACK-WHITE CONFLICT THAT WOULD POISON RACE RELATIONS FAR BEYOND AFRICA AND WOULD RISK GREAT-POWER INTERVENTION ON THAT CONTINENT.

5. AS HIS HIGHEST PRIORITY, OFFICIALS SAID, MR. CARTER WILL TRY TO PERSUADE MR. NYERERE TO CALL A MEETING OF PRESIDENTS OF COUNTRIES SITUATED ON OR NEAR RHODESIA'S BORDERS, ALONG WITH LEADERS OF THE PATRIOTIC FRONT, WHICH IS CONDUCTING GUERRILLA OPERATIONS IN RHODESIA, TO EXAMINE A NEW SET OF BRITISH-AMERICAN PROPOSALS FOR A RHODESIAN SETTLEMENT.

6. IF MR. NYERERE IS WILLING TO SPONSOR SUCH A MEETING, MR. CARTER INTENDS TO SEND ANDREW YOUNG, CHIEF UNITED STATES DELEGATE TO THE UNITED NATIONS, TO JOIN BRITAIN'S FOREIGN SECRETARY, DAVID OWEN, IN PRESENTING THE DETAILED PROPOSALS FOR BRINGING RHODESIA TO LEGAL INDEPENDENCE UNDER MAJORITY RULE.

7. ON SOUTH-WEST AFRICA, THE ADMINISTRATION HOPES MR. NYERERE WILL HELP PERSUADE SAM NUJOMA, HEAD OF THE SOUTH-WEST AFRICA PEOPLE'S ORGANIZATION, TO COOPERATE WITH A FIVE-NATION INITIATIVE AIMED AT BRINGING THAT TERRITORY TO UNCLASSIFIED

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INDEPENDENCE FROM SOUTH AFRICA UNDER UNITED NATIONS OBSERVATION.

8. SOUTH-WEST AFRICA, ALSO KNOWN AS NAMIBIA, HAS BEEN CONTROLLED SINCE WORLD WAR I BY SOUTH AFRICA UNDER A LEAGUE OF NATIONS MANDATE, WHICH THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY HAS DECLARED INVALID. MR. NUJOMA'S ORGANIZATION, KNOWN AS SWAPO, IS THE ONLY POLITICAL ENTITY IN SOUTH-WEST AFRICA RECOGNIZED BY THE UNITED NATIONS.

9. IT WAS LEARNED TODAY FROM UNITED NATIONS SOURCES THAT MR. NUJOMA HAS AGREED TO BRING HIS GROUP'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO THE UNITED STATES NEXT WEEK FOR HIS FIRST DISCUSSIONS WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE FIVE NATIONS--THE UNITED STATES, BRITAIN, CANADA, FRANCE AND WEST GERMANY--THAT HAVE BEEN TRYING TO WORK OUT AN AGREEMENT FOR SOUTH-WEST AFRICA.

10. ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS CREDIT MR. NYERERE WITH HELPING TO PERSUADE MR. NUJOMA TO AGREE AT LEAST TO DISCUSSIONS WITH THE FIVE-NATION COMMISSION. THAT BODY HAS ALREADY SUCCEEDED IN GETTING SOUTH AFRICA TO DROP ITS OWN

BLUEPRINT FOR SOUTH-WEST AFRICA AND TO COOPERATE WITH THE COMMISSION TO A LIMITED DEGREE.

11. WITH SECRETARY OF STATE CYRUS R. VANCE IN THE MIDDLE EAST, BOTH MR. YOUNG AND VICE PRESIDENT MONDALE WILL PLAY MORE PROMINENT ROLES THAN USUAL IN THE PROGRAM FOR MR. NYERERE, THE FIRST HEAD OF GOVERNMENT FROM SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA TO MAKE A STATE VISIT TO MR. CARTER.

12. THE VICE PRESIDENT WILL SUBSTITUTE FOR MR. VANCE AS HOST AT A WORKING STATE DEPARTMENT LUNCHEON FOR THE VISITOR TOMORROW AFTER THE TRADITIONAL WHITE HOUSE ARRIVAL CEREMONY AND 90 MINUTES OF DIRECT TALKS BETWEEN THE TWO PRESIDENTS.

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13. MR. CARTER ASSIGNED MR. MONDALE SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR COORDINATING ADMINISTRATION POLICIES ON SOUTHERN AFRICA, AIMED AT PEACEFUL TRANSITIONS TO MAJORITY RULE IN RHODESIA, SOUTH-WEST AFRICA AND SOUTH AFRICA. THE VICE PRESIDENT WENT TO VIENNA IN MAY TO URGE PRIME MINISTER JOHN VORSTER TO BEGIN A "PROGRESSIVE TRANSFORMATION" OF THAT COUNTRY'S POLICY OF RACIAL APARTHEID.

14. MR. YOUNG IS A LONGTIME FRIEND OF MR. NYERERE AND ONCE DESCRIBED THE TANZANIAN PRESIDENT AS "ONE OF THE MEN IN THE WORLD I MOST RESPECT." AFTER TAKING HIS UNITED NATIONS ASSIGNMENT, MR. YOUNG MADE HIS FIRST OVERSEAS TRIP TO TANZANIA, ACCEPTING MR. NYERERE'S INVITATION TO JOIN MANY AFRICAN LEADERS AT A NATIONAL CELEBRATION. CHRISTOPHER

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